

Claim 1, wherein the polymer film of the first layer has a structure [of] comprising more than one layer of a copolymer of ethylene and polar comonomers or of a mixture of LDPE and an LLDPE, prepared by a metallocene-catalysed process.

Claim 4 (amended). Laminate according to [Claims 1 to 3, characterized in that]

Claim 1, wherein the polymer film of the first layer is a copolymer of ethylene and an  $\alpha$ -olefin having a carbon number of from  $C_4$  to  $C_{10}$ , where the polyolefin has a melt index of from 1 to 20 g/(10 min) and a density of from 860 to 900 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

Claim 5 (amended). Laminate according to [Claims 1 to 4, characterized in that]

Claim 1, wherein the first layer is composed of two coextruded layers with an outer layer and a tie layer, where the tie layer is composed of pure thermoplastic polyolefins without addition of additives or colorants.

Claim 6 (amended). Laminate according to [Claims 1 to 5, characterized in that]

Claim 1, wherein the polymer film of the first layer comprises at least 65% of a thermoplastic elastomer.

Claim 7 (amended). Laminate according to [Claims 1 to 6, characterized in that]

Claim 1, wherein a self-adhesive coating has been applied onto the textile sheet side.

Claim 8 (amended). Process for producing a laminate according to Claim 1,

wherein [at least one of the preceding claims, characterized in that]

- a) polymer granules or mixtures of polymer granules are melted in one or more extruders,
- b) the polymer melts of the extruders are brought together in a feed block, and a [multilayer structure] film having at least one layer of the polymer [film] is formed in the slot die,

- c) the melt film formed is applied to a textile sheet,
- d) the resultant laminate is compressed through a calender unit and cooled,
- and
- e) the surface of the polymer film of the laminate is embossed[, preferably using a cylindrical steel roll].

Claim 9 (amended). Process according to Claim 8, [characterized in that,] wherein after extrusion, the polymer melt film is passed between a previously produced elastic polymer film and the textile sheet, and is then cooled.

Claim 10 (amended). [Use of a laminate according to at least one of the preceding claims as a] A medical backing material[, where] comprising a laminate according to Claim 1 with a skin-compatible self-adhesive coating has been applied to the nonwoven side.

Claim 11 (amended). [Use of a laminate according to at least one of the preceding claims as a] A medical backing material[, where the] comprising a laminate according to Claim 1, wherein the laminate is provided with the self-adhesive coating and is physically perforated.

Claim 12 (amended). [Use of a laminate according to at least one of the preceding claims as carrier for a hygiene item, in particular a nappy or an incontinence product.] A diaper comprising the laminate of Claim 1.

Claim 13 (amended). [Use of a laminate according to at least one of the preceding claims as a single-use covering material for uses associated with surgical procedures.] A surgical drape comprising the laminate of Claim 1.

Claim 14 (amended). [Use of a laminate according to at least one of the preceding